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MINUTES OF THE SEVENTH MEETING
OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE
TO STUDY SCIENTIFIC & TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE
26 June 1952

PRESENT*

Mr. LeClaire E. Becker, Deputy Director/Intelligence
Central Intelligence Agency, Chairman
Mr. William C. Trueheart, Department of State
Col. C. B. Coverdale, Chief of Collection
& Dissemination Division, G-2, D/A
Major John T. Rhea, G-2, Department of the Army
Capt. Kenneth G. Hurd, Head, Plans & Policy
Section, Office of Naval Intelligence,
Department of the Navy
Col. James F. Phinney, Chief, Planning & Policy
Group, Office of Deputy for Intelligence, DC
United States Air Force
Col. Floyd L. Ohm, Member of the Joint Intelligence
Group, The Joint Staff

At the outset of the meeting, copies of the Committee's initial draft report, as prepared by CIA, were circulated. The Chairman explained that there was no thought of having the Committee members approve the report at this meeting, or do more than exchange initial views.

Mr. Becker reviewed certain basic concepts expressed in the draft report but not fully discussed at prior Committee meetings. He suggested that his re-study of NSCID No. 3 had convinced him of the soundness of that directive, particularly as it expresses the concept of a federal system of intelligence, in which departmental intelligence is recognized to be basic and not in competition with national intelligence. Such changes as are recommended in the draft report, therefore, do not include NSCID revision but are limited to revising NSCID's to effect, among other changes, a separation of the coordination of activities from the coordination of opinion.

Various members of the Committee commented on the proposed working committees and the proposed B.I.C. There was the suggestion that a new name, such as "Scientific Estimates Committee," might be

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* Mr. Richard B. Pardo, Executive Assistant to Mr. Becker, acted as recorder of the meeting.

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recommended. It was also suggested that the terms of reference for working committees would require substantial revision, and that formal working committees might well be unnecessary. The Chairman urged that suggestions for clarification of the paper be drafted for consideration at the Committee's next meeting.

There seemed to be general agreement that the allocation of responsibilities would present the agencies with a new opportunity to develop resources to discharge the responsibilities assigned.

Mr. Becker undertook to provide the Service representatives with a list of changes from the allocations proposed by the J.I.C. paper to the allocations in Annexes A and B of the draft NSID 3/4. Col. Stam and the Services were requested to provide an indication for each item in Annex A as to which service or services had responsibility and as to what non-intelligence components, if any, were involved.

The next meeting of the Committee will be at 2:00 o'clock, Wednesday, 2 July, in the Conference Room, Administration Building, CIA.

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